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In re Application of

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METHOD AND APPARATUS TO **EXTEND THE EFFECTIVE** DYNAMIC RANGE OF AN IMAGE **SENSING DEVICE** 

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